

## New Mahon Steel Plant Aids City's Industrial Production

The R. C. Mahon Co. of Detroit, Mich., one of the Nation's major fabricating and erecting firms, last week went into production at the new plant of its Western Operation at 2800 Monterey St. Initially, the plant will turn out Mahon building products and also do structural steel fabrication and erection work.

The plant is also being equipped to make Mahon industrial equipment, such as finishing systems, painting booths and special processing machinery. Walter G. Mitchell, executive vice president of the company and general manager of 'Mahon-West', in showing the new facility to the press said, "This plant represents an investment of \$3.5 million on the continuing industrial growth of the Western area. We are taking this step on cold facts, not guesswork, and look forward to our future role with anticipation and confidence. All the production equipment, except for two

small units, is completely new, and, in most cases, has been specially adapted for our manufacturing. Our product output will be consistent with Mahon quality standards."

Mitchell went on, "In the 20 years I have called the West my home, I have seen Los Angeles double its population. Torrance grew five times, and the entire West came into its own. This still-blossoming population will mean much to Western industry — the attendant building demands for manufacturing and commercial facilities will mean much to Western construction. The R. C. Mahon Company has long maintained sales-engineering offices and a representative organization in the West, now with local production we are putting down long roots."

WALTER F. SHEETZ, president of the Michigan Corporation added, "Our building products have had good acceptance in the West, but we have

been at a competitive disadvantage. This Western source corrects that situation. More than that though, I believe Mahon's Western Operation is unique to the building products manufacturing field. Here is an organization that by personnel, product lines, and administration is bonded to the West. With only two exceptions, the entire staff has been acquired locally; the products in most part will be application engineers for Western building architecture and construction techniques. With this high degree of market orientation, it will be almost independently operated. Research and development programs carried on by the function will be strictly to Western needs. I am sure the Operation will make valuable contributions to the industrial development of the entire area and the dynamic growth of the West."

THE NEW Torrance facility of Mahon's Western Operation is on a 30-acre site, 12 miles south of Los Angeles, and contains some 200,000-sq. ft. of floor space devoted to manufacturing and allied functions. It will provide room for all fabricating of the Operation's structural steel, building products and industrial organizations, plus its geodesic dome department.

In addition, the facility includes an 11,000 sq. ft., two-story building that houses offices for the Operation's ad-

ministrative, sales and engineering functions. The office building is an attractively modern steel-enclosed structure using aluminum and stainless-steel wall siding. It is completely climate-controlled — it being possible to even heat one building end and cool the other at the same time to keep pace with the early coolness and fast warming of the California mornings.

The building architect, James H. Van Dyke of the Los Angeles firm, Van Dyke and Barnes, explained, "The facility was an interesting design problem because of the high degree of future expansion required, countered by an attractiveness in keeping with a close-in residential area. It is felt both conditions were taken care of admirably." Major James B. Steep of Mahon's Detroit staff served as a special consultant on the project. General contractor was L. E. Dixon Company, San Gabriel, Calif.

PRESENT employment of the Operation runs to about 150 people including field erection crews doing outstate construction work in structural steel and geodesic domes. The plant expects an orderly build-up of employment over the next year and a half to about 350 persons.

Mahon's Western Operation is an outgrowth of acquisition by the Detroit firm of the 'Mitchell enterprises' in California in late 1958. These enterprises have been part of the West's building and construction industry since 1947 and W. G. Mitchell is now chief executive of 'Mahon-West.' All former Mitchell employees have been integrated into the Mahon organization. Earlier this year, Mahon's Western Operation was licensed by the Kaiser Aluminum and Chemical Co., Oakland, as exclusive fabricators and erectors of Kaiser's aluminum stressed-skin dome in their marketing area of the 13 Western States, including Hawaii and Alaska.

### Gardena Will Give Bridge Instruction

Those of you who would like to learn the basic playing rules of Bridge, here is your opportunity. Beginners Bridge lessons, consisting of eight two hour sessions will start at the Gardena Community Center, 1651 W. 162nd St., on Thursday, July 21. Classes will start at 8 p.m. under the direction of Bob Christy who is well known in South Bay Bridge circles.

If four or more register at the same time the fee will be \$8.00 per person or if you register as individuals the fee will be \$10.00. Registration fee covers the complete eight week course plus two free plays at the completion.

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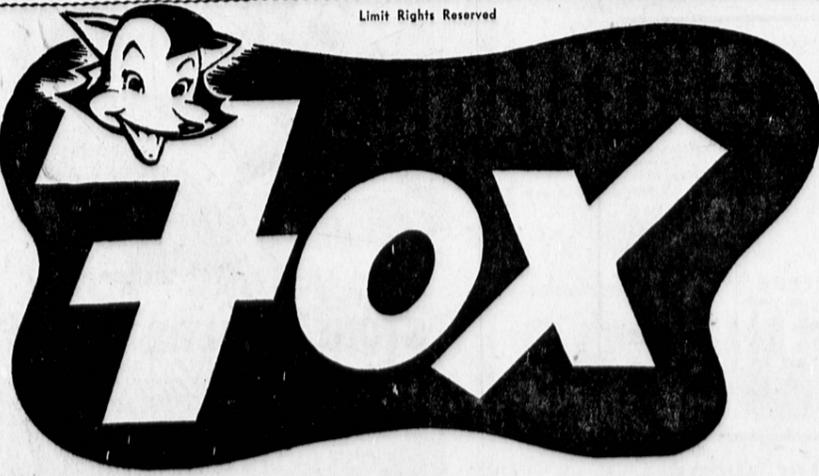
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